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SUBJECT: NEWS RELEASE REGARDING THE NRO.

1. TO DATE, THERE HAVE BEEN NO PRESS INQUIRIES BASED

ON THE WASHINGTON POST ARTICLE REVEALING THE NRO.

SHOULD THERE BE A DIRECT QUERY, THE OASD/PUBLIC AFFAIRS

OFFICE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO MAKE THE FOLLOWING

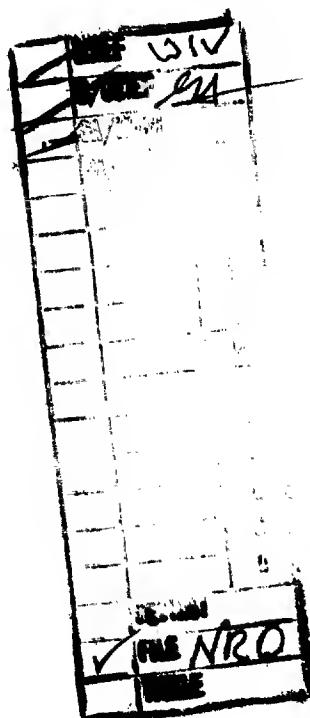
RESPONSE:

YES, THERE IS AN NRO. IT IS AN OFFICE THROUGH

WHICH CERTAIN INTELLIGENCE MATTERS ARE ADMINISTERED.

IT IS ADMINISTERED BY A SENIOR AIR FORCE CIVILIAN

OFFICIAL. WE WILL NOT DISCUSS ANY SPECIFICS ABOUT THE



I don't think we need send this to anyone

except [redacted] -

Believe we should just message to

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NRO review(s)
completed.

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OFFICE.

- 2. I REPEAT THAT THIS RELEASE IS AUTHORIZED ONLY BY
- OASD/PUBLIC AFFAIRS OFFICE IN RESPONSE TO DIRECT
- QUERY. OUR POLICY HAS NOT CHANGED AND EVEN IF THIS
- RELEASE SHOULD BE PUBLISHED, PRESS COVERAGE SHOULD
- NOT BE CONFIRMED AND PRESENT SECURITY SHOULD
- BE RIGIDLY ENFORCED.

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